

REMARKS

Claims 1 – 8 are pending in the present application. Paragraph 2 of the Office Action states that claims 1 – 4 and 7 – 8 are withdrawn from further consideration under 37 C.F.R. 1.142(b) as being drawn to a non-elected invention. Applicants have cancelled claims 1 – 4 and 7 – 8. Paragraph 3 objects to the Abstract of the disclosure as being drawn to a non-elected invention. The Abstract has been amended accordingly.

ALLOWABLE SUBJECT MATTER

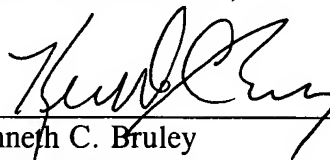
Applicants greatly appreciate Examiner's indication that independent claims 5 and 6 are allowed.

CONCLUSION

Applicants submit that the application is in condition for allowance. Favorable action and withdrawal of the present rejections are, therefore, respectfully requested. The Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at his convenience to resolve any remaining issues. Please charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-1196.

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